

**North Smithfield Fire/Rescue Service, Inc.**

**Board of Directors Meeting**

**July 12, 2016**

**Called to order at 6:30 p.m.**

**Roll call of Voting Members:**

**Chairman: Paul Lefebvre**

**Vice-Chair: Brian VanHouwe**

**Treasurer: Daniel O'Brien**

**Secretary: Kenneth Thompson**

**At-large: Pamela LaBarre, Dr. Kenneth Peloquin (absent), Linda Thibault**

**Non-voting member: Chief Joel Jillson**

**Previous Meeting Minutes:**

**Minutes of the June meeting, as emailed, accepted with a motion by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mrs. LaBarre. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Financial Report: Submitted in packet and explained by Mr. O'Brien. We are "in good shape for year-end" and "on target". Motion made to accept Financial Report by Mr. VanHouwe, seconded by Mrs. Thibault. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Bills: (see attached) Mr. VanHouwe questioned bill from Alarm**

**Company.** Chief Jillson explained that they were called in to service alarm system problems. Mr. VanHouwe also asked about the bill for Lowe's—Chief Jillson said it was for air conditioning unit for Station 2 and fuel for saws. Discussion on airconditioning options with Mr. VanHouwe noting that if/when Station 1's roof is replaced, air conditioning could be addressed. Chief Jillson made note of hydrogen/cyanide detectors purchase (HazMat account) thanks to prodding from Mrs. Thibault. Mrs. Thibault motioned to approve the payment of bills, seconded by Mr. Thompson. The motion passed unanimously.

**Communications:** none

**Fleet:**

**Chief Jillson:** Apparatus Committee work ongoing. Everything good except for issues found with Ladder 2 after aerial testing. Out of service until repairs are completed pending trade-in or sale at the purchase of new Engine. Not an issue as Central Falls loans out their ladder truck to Mutual Aid districts.

**Facilities:**

**Chief Jillson:** 1) Commends the men's hard work painting the exterior of fire stations resulting in a great return at little expense.

**Old Business:**

1. Designated account to be set up with funding from 3rd party billing

and fire department plan review fees which will accomplish the replacement of Station 1's roof, hopefully before bad weather sets in.

2. Town approval for replacement of SCBA's (next two years) and turnout gear, but Engine is on back burner.

3. Received payment of \$500 for Local #3984's 50% share of yearly scholarship as previously approved and paid.

4. Mr. VanHouwe asked if parking signs were going to be installed at Station 1. Chief Jillson said that the problem seems to have been resolved, but we will monitor it in case it becomes an issue again.

#### **New Business:**

Chief Jillson: 1) Compliments to Rose for extra effort with the transition to the State pension system new computer software. 2) The property owned by North Smithfield Fire Department (former Kennedy's Lunch) has had interest in buying or renting since the building was razed. Latest inquiry is for a hotdog stand on a temporary basis. Discussion followed with history on that land (actually four lots) and the Town Task Force (member Mr. VanHouwe) wishing to include it in a re-vamp of that area with hopefully a new municipal complex. Large ticket bond resulted in project fizzling out for lack of funding. Directors agreed to say "no" to request for rental.

**Personnel:** Referred to Executive Session.

**Motion by Mr. O'Brien to move into Executive Session under RI General Laws 42-46-5(a)(1) at 7:15 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Thibault.  
Voted/Passed unanimously.**

**The next meeting is scheduled for the second Tuesday of the month, July 12th, 2016, 6:30 p.m.**

**Motion to adjourn at 7:34 p.m. by Mr. O'Brien, 2nd by Mr. VanHouwe.  
All in favor.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**(signed)**

**Rose Zariczny**

**(Note: any "attachments" can be viewed by request during normal business hours in the Office of the Chief, 1470 Providence Pike, North Smithfield, RI)**